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14. (Twice Amended) An automobile interior molded panel comprising:
a rigid substrate;
a preformed composite pad comprising a non-impregnable layer and an
impregnable layer; and
a cover skin disposed over and bonded to the substrate and the pad.

15. (Amended) The panel of claim 14 wherein the cover skin is bonded to
at least a portion of the non-impregnable layer of the pad and a portion of the substrate.

[Please add new claims 22 through 33.]

22. (New) An automobile interior molded panel comprising:
a rigid substrate;
a composite pad comprising a non-impregnable layer and an impregnable layer;
and
a cover skin disposed over and bonded to the substrate and the pad;
wherein at least a portion of the rigid substrate is present throughout the
impregnable layer.

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23. (New) The panel of claim 22 wherein the impregnable layer is made of
reticulated material having an amount of pores per inch of about 1 to 100 and a foam density
of about 1.5 to 2.5 pcf.

24. (New) The panel of claim 22 wherein the non-impregnable layer is made
of non-reticulated elastomeric foam material.

25. (New) The panel of claim 22 wherein the impregnable layer is made of
reticulated material having an amount of pores per inch of about 1 to 100 and a foam density
of about 1.5 to 2.5 and wherein the non-impregnable layer is made of non-reticulated
elastomeric foam material.

26. (New) The panel of claim 25 wherein the composite pad has a Shore A hardness of about 35-70 when measured according to ASTM No. D2240.

27. (New) The panel of claim 25 wherein the molded panel has a Shore A hardness of about 45-70 when measured according to ASTM NO. D2240 while measuring along a line that intersects the composite pad.

28. (New) The panel of claim 22 wherein the cover skin is bonded to at least a portion of the non-impregnable layer of the pad and a portion of the substrate.

29. (New) An automobile interior molded panel comprising:
a rigid substrate;
a composite pad comprising a non-impregnable layer and an impregnable layer;

and

a cover skin disposed over and bonded to the substrate and the pad;
wherein at least a portion of the rigid substrate is adjacent to the sides of the impregnable layer.

30. (New) The panel of claim 29 wherein the impregnable layer is made of reticulated material having an amount of pores per inch of 1 to 100 and a foam density of about 1.5 to 2.5 pcf.

31. (New) The panel of claim 30 wherein at least portions of the rigid substrate is present throughout the impregnable layer.

32. (New) The panel of claim 31 wherein the non-impregnable layer is made of non-reticulated elastomeric foam material.

33. (New) The panel of claim 32 wherein the composite pad has a Shore A hardness of about 35-70 when measured according to ASTM No. D2240.